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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 11-17-52

WEATHER Temperatures averaged considerably above normal during the week. There was no precipitation until the close, when the southeast received moderate to heavy soaking rains, the Panhandle moderate to heavy wet snow in the south and light in the north, and the south-central light rains. The north-central and northeastern portions of the State did not receive any precipitation.

CROPS The outlook for wheat is much better since the moisture in the eastern portion of the State and in the Panhandle. With the snow and rain that has fallen, aggregating over an inch of moisture in the southern Panhandle, the summer fallow wheat in that area is now in good condition to survive the winter. The Panhandle wheat crop has been in better condition than the balance of the State.

Wheat in the southwestern and central portions, comprising about 40% of the wheat area, received practically no moisture. Part of this wheat is grown on summer fallow and should survive, but the outlook for the balance of the wheat in this area is extremely poor. Much of the wheat in this area has not developed its secondary root system and while it could survive the winter if plenty of moisture arrives before it freezes up, such wheat, based on past records, usually produces a light crop. Roughly, about one-fourth of Nebraska's wheat crop is in this condition and still without moisture.

Corn harvest is practically completed. The moisture content is low, quality good, and much of it is being placed under loan. This year's crop used about all the moisture in the corn fields and so far there is very little reserve moisture for next year's crop.

The harvest of sugar beets is nearing completion. Potatoes are moving in fairly good volume. Potatoes that were damaged by the freeze are being sorted. Spoilage of frozen potatoes in storage induced the development of other potato diseases. Shipments of potatoes totaled 1,463 cars against 1,373 cars on the same date a year ago. A considerable quantity of potatoes were trucked out.

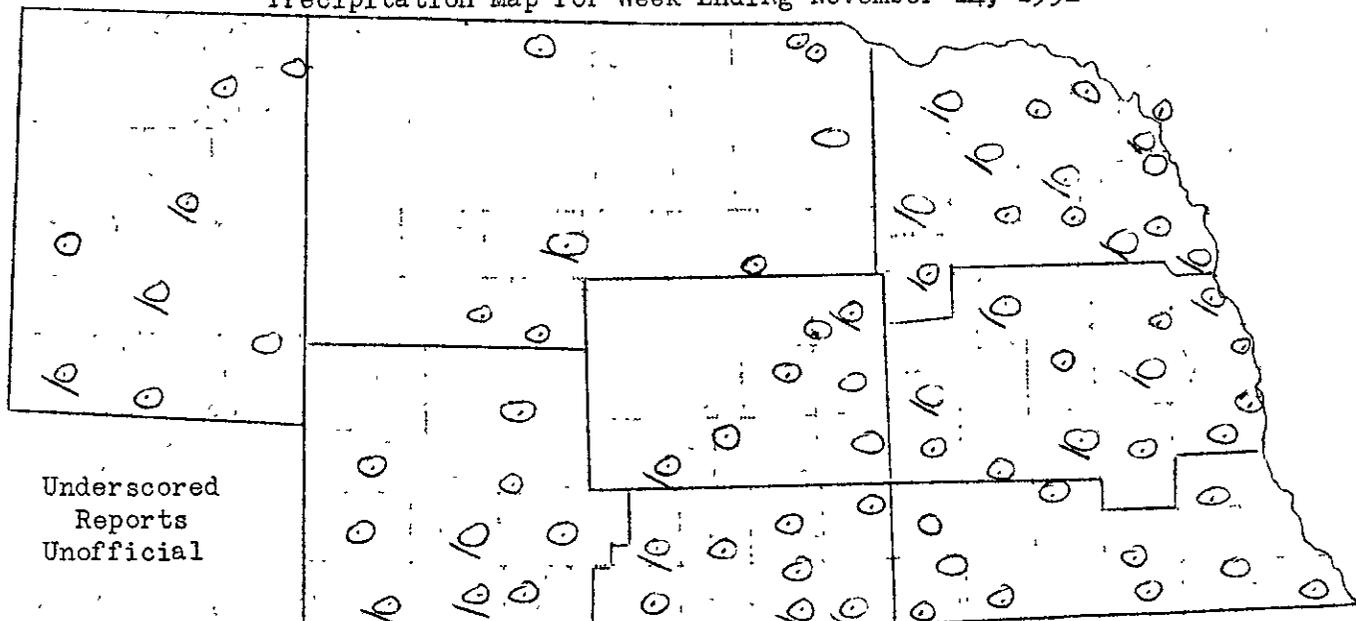
LIVESTOCK The rain and snow covering the Sandhills softened range feed, making it more palatable. Range is still dry and dusty in southwestern Nebraska. The hay supply is the second largest of record but because of the lack of fall pasture and wheat pasture, a larger supply will be needed. Surplus hay is still moving southward.

Comments from a few of the counties indicate decreased interest in hog production. The results of the December Pig Survey will be released December 22. This will show the size of the present fall pig crop and farmers' intentions as to spring farrowing.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 17, 1952

Eastern Division	Central Division	Western Division
Grand Island .31	Burwell .06	Chadron .05
Lincoln 1.49	Lexington .04	Imperial .09
Norfolk 0	North Platte .05	Scottsbluff .19
Omaha 2.26	Valentine 0	Sidney .57
Sioux City .01		

Precipitation Map for Week Ending November 14, 1952



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HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (for 24 hours ending in a.m.)

		NOVEMBER													
		11th		12th		13th		14th		15th		16th		17th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	62	36	66	22	66	--	63	25	63	44	55	28	49	32
	Scottsbluff	64	28	66	31	63	33	61	30	61	35	52	24	50	30
	Sidney	59	24	65	25	64	34	61	25	58	31	60	16	53	28
N-C	Burwell	--	--	--	--	68	28	65	33	64	30	66	30	54	36
	Valentine	59	31	63	24	65	38	69	34	59	36	61	36	51	33
NE	Norfolk	--	--	57	26	66	29	62	31	58	27	46	35	58	42
	Sioux City	--	--	--	--	65	34	63	34	56	28	67	36	67	46
CEN.	Grand Island	51	33	64	31	69	42	64	34	65	35	71	35	60	41
	Lexington	53	29	58	27	70	28	68	30	65	28	70	26	57	37
E-C	Lincoln	47	34	60	29	72	51	65	40	62	31	71	41	59	50
	Omaha	47	29	62	29	70	49	65	43	60	28	68	40	--	--
SW	Imperial	57	26	67	22	70	29	67	30	65	35	70	27	59	31
	North Platte	55	18	65	18	65	27	69	30	63	32	70	27	56	35

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